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TO IMPROVE TEACHERS QUALIFICATIONS

"IDEOLOGICAL" SEMINARS PLANNED -- Puna, No 267, 17 Feb 50

The analysis made by the Albanian Ministry of Education of the work done by the schools during the first quarter of the current academic year? indicates that results have been poor, chiefly because of the incompetence of school administrators and teaching personnel. Insufficient effort has been made to select good teaching materials and methods and to organize instruction. Also, too little ideological and professional instruction for teachers, which normally is offered through seminars, was given last year, and during the 1949 - 1950 academic year it has been suspended altogether.

The Presidium of the Central Committee of the Professional Federation of Albania has decided to establish ideological and professional seminars for teachers throughout Albania, The Professional Federation of State Administrative, Cultural, and Commercial Workers, which will be responsible for organizing and directing them already has begun to organize ideological and professional seminars among all the educators in Albania.

The ideological seminars are divided into three categories on the basis of the subjects the teachers teach, and not on the basis of their ideological attainments. In the absence of a systematic program, their ideological levels are almost identical.

Teachers in city schools will prepare two papers a month, and rural teachers one a month.

The professional seminars also will be divided into three categories, based on the teachers' education. The curriculum will be based on Soviet pedagogical studies

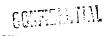
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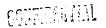
NEW COLLEGE FOR LANGUAGE STUDY -- Izgrev, No 1611, 22 Dec 49

The Bulgarian Ministry of Education announces the opening of a new college for linguistic studies in Lovech on 1 February 1950. Five-year courses are offered for the study of French, German, English, and other languages. Applicants must provide certificates of satisfactory-high-school graduation, indicate the 1r personal circumstances and their membership in the DSNM (Dimitrov Youth Association), and furnish a statement from the local Fatherland Front certifying that their parents are loyal members of this organization. Students will receive room and board. Indigent students will be granted scholarships.

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